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The Wesleyan Loyalty Fund is a scholarship fund dedicated to the memory of two beloved alumnae of the college.

ELLA (ANDERSON) CLARK

A. B. 1862

Ella (Anderson) Clark was one of the oldest alumnae of Wesleyan, nearing her ninetieth birthday at the time of her death, August, 1934.

After her student days (during the trying war-time of the 60's), she married Dr. J. O. A. Clark, a Methodist minister, and was all of her life a spiritual leader.

She was at one time president of the Wesleyan Alumnae Association, and always "felt a desire to raise my voice in Wesleyan's behalf, for to her I owe the best there is in life to me."

In 1900 she made so impassioned a plea for alumnae support of the college at the commencement meeting that her address was printed. At that time she said:

"I fear we have been waiting for a generous-hearted person for whom we pray, and because we are not able to give largely we have excused ourselves and given not at all.

"Let us prove that by united effort and determined purpose we can help the college, by large sums if we can, but by small amounts if we must."

Again at commencement in 1933, after having given generously and sacrificially herself, she made another plea for alumnae giving.

Nothing would have made her happier than a scholarship fund for girls at Wesleyan, this intensely loyal alumna who, even a few weeks before her death talked often to her guests of "the dear old college."

MOLLIE MASON

A. B. 1870

"Miss Mollie," as she was affectionately called by all, was a Wesleyan graduate and for 24 years head of the art department of the college. Later she had her own art school at her home in Macon, working happily and efficiently until only a few days before her death in February, 1934, of pneumonia. She was 81, and had been for nearly 60 years a teacher of art, and an outstanding artist.

To Wesleyan she owed everything, she said. At the last Christmas season before her death she spoke of it.

"I have been most fortunate with the best friends in the world, kindness on every hand, and generous words about my work. I owe it all to Wesleyan.

"I grew up in the dark years after the War Between the States, and my father made a real sacrifice to move to Macon that I might attend Wesleyan. I should not otherwise have been equipped to make my living, and should have missed all the good things of my life.

"One of my friends is planning a memorial to her mother. I hope she will place it at Wesleyan. When I think of what my training at Wesleyan has meant in my life, I cannot say enough in behalf of girls receiving college education.

It will be fitting to have girls coming to Wesleyan next year in memory of Miss Mollie and through our gifts to the Loyalty Fund to which she contributed yearly.

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The Loyalty Fund

HISTORY OF THE LOYALTY FUND

In the old days the Alumnae Association met every three years, and paid at that time \$3.00 "dues". Later there was an annual meeting when dues of \$1.00 were paid.

Then came the recent years with an alumnae magazine, local clubs, a nation-wide feeling that college alumnae should prove their appreciation for the benefits of a college education by making an annual donation to higher education through their own colleges.

What to do? Bill alumnae for dues? And bill alumnae for magazine subscription? And bill alumnae for a contribution to a scholarship fund or for an alumnae house?

The Loyalty Fund is the answer. It asks the alumnae to give to the college one gift each year. It is to cover dues, magazine, and represents a gift of appreciation for higher education. Its amount is determined by each donor. It varies according to the generosity and the means of the giver. It can vary from year to year with each alumna, according to "lean" and "fat" years.

HOW MUCH SHALL YOU GIVE?

A dollar can be a sacrifice for some of us. A dollar is the most popular amount given, and is gratefully received. If all of our 5,000 alumnae gave a dollar each, our fund could help 50 girls come to Wesleyan.

\$3.00 was the average gift last year. That allows \$1.00 for dues, \$1.00 for magazine, \$1.00 for the scholarships. \$5.00 allows more for the scholarships. If you can spare \$10.00, that is 1/5 of a good scholarship. If you are fortunate enough to give \$50.00 or \$75.00 or \$100.00, you can have the thrill of knowing that one girl was given the pleasure of at-

tending Wesleyan through your gift alone.

We need a larger number of givers! "Something from everyone given gladly"!

INTERESTING GIFTS

Two Wesleyan alumnae have voluntarily pledged themselves to give to the Loyalty Fund each year of their lives. That was some years ago, and now every January the college receives from Love (Moreland) Leigh of the class of 1884, the first "life-time contributor" a check, never less than \$10.00; and every April a similar check from Carrie Tracy (Johnson) Duncan, of the class of 1878.

This January Mrs. Leigh sends, with her \$15.00 check (the depression is lifting!), a note which says: "May the spirit of Wesleyan never die! This comes from an old student with a grateful heart for this wonderful institution."

One Wesleyan alumna living now in China sent a box of lovely hand-embroidered Chinese linens to be sold and the proceeds to be given to the Loyalty Fund. This was Ada (Lee) Kwan, A.B. 1930.

SOURCES OF ALUMNAE INCOME

The Loyalty Fund—Annual individual contributions sent to the Alumnae Office in response to notices sent out by the classes each spring. This is directed at the present to a scholarship fund awarded by Dr. Anderson to girls who need financial aid in coming to Wesleyan.

Club Benefits—Money raised by club benefits, shows, teas, suppers, etc. This is used as a scholarship fund also. The club may select the girl to receive the scholarship, sending the money to the college with the specification that she is to receive it, or the club may let the college select a girl.

The Beauty Shop—The alumnae sponsor a shop in Macon in the old college building, and receive a per cent of returns as rent. This has been used as a promotion fund for the general work and for the alumnae magazine.

Interest—For several years the Loyalty Fund was set aside for an Alumnae Building. The capital is invested at 6% and 7%. The interest was designated last year and this year for campus improvement and tree planting.

IN 1934

In 1934, gifts to the Loyalty Fund ranged from \$1.00 to \$100.00. They were distributed as follows:

51% gave \$ 1.00 17% gave \$ 2.00 6% gave \$ 3.00 12% gave \$ 5.00 5% gave \$ 10.00 1% gave \$ 12.00 2% gave \$ 15.00 2% gave \$ 20.00 2% gave \$ 50.00 1% gave \$ 75.00 1% gave \$ 100.00

The average gift was \$3.91. The 51% of \$1.00 gifts was 12% of the total amount given; the 49% of more than \$1.00 gifts was 88% of the total amount given.

SPECIAL CLASS GIFTS

Four of the younger classes this year are giving their Loyalty Fund contributions in memory of classmates who have died:

1927

In memory of Callie Mae Willis, who died at Wesleyan during her senior year.

1930

In memory of Marion Dean (Johnson) Gilchrist, who died on February 6 of this year, of pneumonia. She leaves a little daughter, Marion Dean, Jr., born January 28.

1931

In memory of Marion Curd Jordan, who died November 4, 1934, after a brief illness.

1933

In memory of Anne (Herndon) Hodges,

who was killed on September 24, 1934, in an automobile accident.

Her six-weeks-old daughter, Anne, was also killed in the accident.

SCHOLARSHIPS WERE AWARDED

A senior who could not return to college without help, one of the finest girls in school, active in all student life, a member of the Honor Council, and on the Honor Roll.

A junior with an excellent college record whose mother is a widow and who could not have returned. The girl has an F.E.R.A. position also, and is helping to earn her expenses.

The first honor graduate of a junior college who could not have come to Wesleyan without aid.

A very fine student from Missouri, who graduated sixth in a large class in high school. She has made the Honor Roll since coming to Wesleyan.

An excellent student who, although she did not receive the first honor in her school, was voted by her class the girl most worthy of a scholarship to Wesleyan.

The daughter of a Methodist minister and the great granddaughter of a Wesleyan alumna. She is a good student, on the Honor Roll.

A sophomore who could not have returned without aid. She was also selected by a civic club to receive their \$50.00 scholarship.

A fine student who won honorable mention in the Wesleyan Historical Essay Contest, and is making a good record at Wesleyan.

The graduate of a junior college who made the second highest record in her class. She has a sister at Wesleyan also, both on the Honor Roll.

And there are many others. Twenty girls in the student body at Wesleyan could not be here except for alumnae aid, either through the Loyalty Fund or club scholarships.

WHAT THE STUDENTS THINK OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS

It would thrill you to see the joy of the girls who are selected for Alumnae Scholarships! All are carefully chosen, are good students, want to come to Wesleyan but could not without some help.

Only you who have known what it means to be Wesleyan girls can understand this letter which one of the scholarship girls wrote to the alumnae:

"I pledge my best to Wesleyan. I want you to know that my efforts will be my expression of thanks to you. Not from a binding sense of obligation, but from a deep, always abiding gratitude to you who have made possible for me this opportunity of glorious experience that I am having, I send you this message.

"The anticipation, all through the summer, of coming to Wesleyan almost overwhelmed me. I really couldn't realize it was actually I who was coming! In my thoughts it seemed too good to be true that I could go to the college I would have chosen above all others. The reality has not taken any of the 'bloom' off,—far from it! My joy has increased with the knowledge that I am actually 'A Wesleyan Girl!'"

Dormitory Day

"Dormitory Day" this year is on April 20th. High school seniors who are planning to go to college are invited to spend a day and night at Wesleyan as "freshmen-for-the-day".

If you know of any high school senior who is a good Wesleyan prospect, please send us her name and address. Written invitations are being mailed to these girls.

The winner of the Historical Essay Contest, who will be given a scholarship of full tuition and board, will be announced on this day.

If it is possible, won't you plan to come up and bring some girls from your home town for this occasion? We shall be glad to have you as Wesleyan's guest, too.

G. E. A. Dinner

WESLEYAN INVITES
YOU

To Dinner at the College, Rivoli, Friday, April 12, 6:30 P. M.

To Wesleyan Alumnae teachers who will attend the G. E. A. meeting in Macon in April:

We must know, however, how many to expect. Please make your reservation as soon as possible, through the Alumnae Office. The Wesleyan bus leaves Mitchell and Williams Drug Store on Cherry and Second Streets at 6:00 o'clock, in case you need transportation.

All-Wesleyan Day

March 27th is "All-Wesleyan Day", the day when Wesleyan Alumnae clubs all over the country hold simultaneous meetings.

Wesleyan students will be at home for the spring holidays, and will bring your club first-hand news of the college today.

The Alumnae office will mail to you a suggested program for the meeting if you wish.

Your club can do three important things for Wesleyan:

- 1. Interest well-prepared high school girls in coming to Wesleyan.
- 2. Send to the Alumnae Office a correct list of alumnae in your town.
- 3. Plan, if possible, a benefit to make money for a scholarship for some girl at Wesleyan. Even \$25.00 or \$50.00 may be the means of keeping a girl in school who might otherwise be unable to come.

Plan for some representatives of your club to come to Wesleyan for Commencement, May 24-27!

Faculty Lectures

The second series of lectures by members of the Wesleyan faculty were given this year in the Conservatory auditorium. They are sponsored by the Wesleyan alumnae. The lectures are offered as Wesleyan's contribution to the cultural life of Macon and there is no charge for admission. This series included:

January 28—"On Steps of Steel," by Prof. J. M. Almand of the department of physics and chemistry.

February 4—"Will Our Modern Civilization Endure?" by Prof. I. E. McKellar of the department of ancient languages.

February 11—"Trends in Modern Fiction," by Miss M. Virginia Garner of the department of English and journalism.

February 18—"The Universe as an Astronomer Sees It" by Dr. C. M. Bruce of the department of mathematics and astronomy.

Musical numbers on each evening's program were given by members of the Wesleyan faculty, Miss Ballard, Mrs. Phelps Ensign, Joseph Maerz, and Dr. Raleigh Drake.

Historical Essay Contest

For the second time Wesleyan is offering a scholarship of full tuition and board for one year to the winner of a state-wide Historical Essay Contest. The Wesleyan Alumnae sponsor the contest, attend to details of registration and certifying of contestants, and announce the winner on annual Dormitory Day at the college.

Two posters announcing the contest were sent to every accredited high school in Georgia. Every high school principal was notified. Printed rules were distributed widely in the high schools.

On the closing date this year, February 15, 32 high schools were represented in the list of entrants, some of them by as many as ten contestants. Each contestant, to be approved by the committee, must have the credits necessary for unconditional entrance to Wesleyan.

Essays will be written on March 16, in the various high schools over the state. All contestants are invited to "Dormitory Day," on April 20, when the winner will be announced.

WOULD NOT YOUR WESLEYAN CLUB LIKE TO AWARD A SMALLER SCHOLARSHIP TO ONE OF THE "RUNNERS-UP"? ALL ENTRANTS ARE WELL PREPARED HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS. YET ONLY ONE CAN WIN THE SCHOLARSHIP.

Historical Material

A number of Georgia county histories have been issued recently. The Wesleyan Library has some of these, and would like to have them all. Can you or your Wesleyan club give us those which are missing?

We need

Bartow County, by Lucy Cunyus, Tribune
Publishing Co. \$3.00
Charlton County, by A. S. McQueen, Stein
Printing Co 1.00
Chattahoochee County, by Miss N. K.
Rogers, Columbus Office Supply Co 10.00
Cherokee County, by L. G. Marlin, Walter
Brown Pub. Co

Coffee County, by W. P. Ward, Foote and Crisp County, by W. P. Fleming, Ham Printing Co. 1.00 Dodge County, by Mrs. W. P. Cobb, Foote and Davies 2.25 History and Reminiscences of Dougherty County, by Thronatoeska Chapter, by D. A. R., Herald Pub. Co., Albany, Ga. 1,50 Hart County, by J. W. Baker, Foote and Davies Co. 5.00 Irwin County, by Mrs. Augusta Lambdin and Mrs. E. A. Fish, Barnesville News Ga-Lumpkin County, by A. W. Cain, Stein Printing Co. 3.00 Wilkinson County, by Victor Davidson, Burke Co. 5.00 Ware County, by Mrs. J. L. Walker, Waycross Woman's Club 5.00 We have

Coweta County Chronicles, by Mary G. Jones and Lily Reynolds.

Macon County, by Mrs. J. W. Hays.
Marion County, by Nettie Powell.
Turner County, by J. B. Pate.
Upson County, by Mrs. E. T. Nottingham

and Evelyn Hannah

Fulton County, by Walter G. Cooper.

Arbor Day

On "Arbor Day" at Wesleyan, February 11 this year, many beautiful trees and shrubs were placed on the campus honoring classes, clubs, and individuals.

Octavia (Burden) Stewart, chairman of the campus committee, announces that this Day will be observed each year, the first week in December hereafter. An opportunity will be given at commencement for classes, clubs and alumnae who wish to plant trees on the campus to make arrangements to do so at the next Arbor Day.

A "Tree Book" which will be kept in the alumnae office permanently carries the list of trees, donors, persons or group honored, and place on the campus where the tree may be found. In it are entered the following for this year:

Tea olive, by Columbus Club, for their oldest member, Clara Dexter (Patten) Watson.

Camellia, by Marshallville Club, in memory of Hannah (Slappey) Neil.

Tea olive, by Gladys (Parker) McCoy in memory of her mother, Susie (Derry) Parker.

American holly, by Annie (Kimbrough) Small, in memory of Eugenia (Small) Steed Hardman.

Tea olive, by Elizabeth Harrold, in memory of her mother, Mary (Fogle) Harrold.

Tea olive, by Elizabeth Harrold in memory of her sister, Anna Harrold.

White dogwood, by Mrs. Marion Curd Jordan in memory of her daughter, Marion Curd Jordan.

Chinese magnolia, by Mrs. E. G. McKenzie, in memory of her grandmother, Mary Frances (Rawls) Lamar.

Cape jasmine, by Lucia (Chappell) Domingos, in memory of her mother, Lucia (Hardeman) Chappell.

Tea olive, by Lucia (Chappell) Domingos

in memory of her grandmother, Lucia (Griswold) Hardeman.

Two gingko trees, by the class of 1886. Silver maple, by the class of 1888.

Live oaks, by the classes of 1935, '36, '37, and '38.

Magnolias by the Phi Mu Sorority. Hollies by the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

Forty nandina shrubs by Octavia (Burden) Stewart in honor of Wesleyan's missionaries to China.

Chinese magnolia, in honor of little Eugenia Wasden, born February 9, daughter of Eugenia (Coleman) Wasden, A.B. '31, and granddaughter of Edith (Stetson) Coleman, A.B. '97. The baby is registered for the class of 1952, at which time the tree will be just the right height for her to sit under it and study.

Class Reunions

Dear Alumnae of the classes of

1881, 1882, 1883, 1884 1900, 1901, 1903, 1904 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922:

Commencement in 1935 is "Centennial Eve", and you are specially invited guests of the college for this occasion, May 24-27.

Start making your plans to be here. You matrons remember that scientific research has proved that matrimony thrives when short separations are scattered through the years. Take a vacation from husband, house, and children, and forget your housekeeping cares at college for a few days!

You bachelor maids come back. Leave the work-a-day world, renew your college friendships, and revel in the freedom of your single blessedness!

Come Friday, in time for the Reunion Class Banquet that night in the college dining room. (There is a charge of 50c a plate for this, the only feature of commencement that is not free, but everyone who was here last year will tell you it is money well spent!)

And then—

Saturday A. M.: Business meeting of Alumnae Association.

Saturday afternoon: Tea on Campus for alumnae.

Saturday evening: Graduation exercises of Conservatory.

Sunday morning: Baccalaureate sermon. Sunday evening: Sacred Concert, Conservatory.

Monday morning: Graduation exercises of College.

A class reunion is something to look forward to for months and to look backward on throughout the years!

Don't miss it!

Sincerely, Martha Cooper, Vice-President in Charge of Reunions.